



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

A. G. Kawamura, Secretary

April 24, 2007

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The California Food and Agricultural Code authorizes the Secretary of Food and Agriculture to establish a maximum total assessment of two and four tenth cents (\$0.024) per hundredweight of market milk sold in commercial trade channels to fund the operations of the Dairy Marketing Branch. The current rate of assessment is one and two tenth cents (\$0.012) per hundredweight, two thirds of which is assessed to producers of market milk and one third to handlers of market milk.

At its meeting on March 6, 2007, the Milk Producers Security Trust Fund Board approved the transfer of its interest earnings to the Dairy Marketing Branch for the 2006/07 fiscal year. Based on these additional revenues, there are sufficient funds to administer the activities of the Branch without collecting further assessments for a period of time.

Therefore, effective for milk produced on May 1, 2007, the Secretary is suspending both of the Milk Stabilization Administrative Fees until such time as the program's cash balance is drawn down to a two or three month reserve. Given average costs of administering the program, it is anticipated that the Fee will be suspended for a minimum of six months. Notification will be provided at such time that it is necessary to re-establish this assessment.

A copy of the Departmental invoice statement reflecting the suspended fees is included on the reverse side of this notice. Anyone who desires a copy of the Order of the Secretary making effective this suspension may obtain one by contacting the Dairy Marketing Branch at the number or address listed below.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

David K. Ikari, Chief
Dairy Marketing Branch

(See Reverse Side)



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
MILK POOLING BRANCH

ASSESSMENT INVOICE FOR MAY 2007

ASSESSMENT	POUNDS	RATE	DOLLAR VALUE	ASSESSMENT TOTAL
POOL ADMINISTRATION FEE		0.000110		
MARKET MILK ADMINISTRATION FEE				
PRODUCER		0.000000		
HANDLER				
PRODUCT RECEIVED FROM PRODUCER				
LESS BULK PRODUCT SHIPPED OUT				
NET HANDLER FEE		0.000000		
MANUFACTURING MILK ADMIN FEE				
PRODUCER		0.000000		
HANDLER				
PRODUCT RECEIVED FROM PRODUCER				
NET HANDLER FEE		0.000000		
DAIRY FOOD CONTROL FEE				
PRODUCER		0.000008		
HANDLER				
PRODUCT RECEIVED FROM PRODUCER				
LESS BULK PRODUCT SHIPPED OUT				
NET HANDLER FEE		0.000004		
DAIRY COUNCIL FEE				
PRODUCER				
CLASS 1 PRODUCER RECEIPTS		0.000150		
OTHER PRODUCER RECEIPTS		0.000060		
MANUFACTURING PRODUCER RECEIPTS		0.000060		
NET PRODUCER FEE				
HANDLER				
OTHER MILK PROCESSED		0.000060		
NET HANDLER FEE				
MARKET ORDER ASSESSMENT (MARKET)		0.001000		
NET CHARGE				
MARKET ORDER ASSESSMENT (MANUFACTURING)		0.001000		
PRODUCER SECURITY TRUST FUND				
CLASS 3 FAT		0.007100		
CLASS 3 SNF		0.002900		
NET CHARGE				

TOTAL FOR ALL ASSESSMENTS